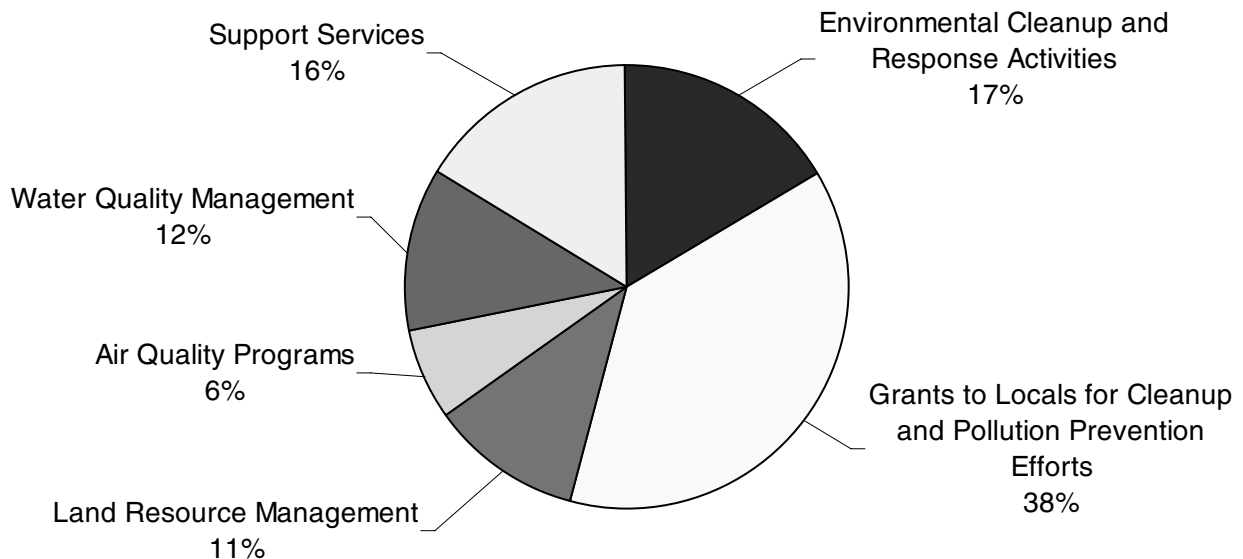


# Department of Environmental Quality

The Department of Environmental Quality is committed to restoring and enhancing Michigan's environment for the protection of public health and the preservation of our natural resources. Acting as chief steward for air, land, and water quality, the department focuses on environmental monitoring, permitting, enforcement, and innovative partnerships that add to the quality of life enjoyed by residents and visitors alike. *The Governor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2007 recommends total funding of \$370.2 million, of which \$33.3 million is general fund.*

## Over Half of DEQ's Budget is Dedicated to Cleanup Projects



**Total: \$370.2 million**

### Budget Highlights - The fiscal year 2007 Executive Budget:

- Provides \$107.0 million in Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water Revolving Fund revenues for low interest loans to local units of government to assist with wastewater and drinking water infrastructure improvement projects.
- Dedicates \$24.0 million toward clean air regulatory efforts, including maintenance of federal air quality standards and reduced emission of pollutants. Through unique partnerships formed with industry, the department continues to aggressively reduce processing time for issuing air permits.

- Maintains \$61.2 million for remediation and redevelopment programs to clean up and redevelop contaminated sites, including leaking underground storage tanks, providing for a cleaner and healthier environment for the citizens of Michigan.
- Provides approximately \$45.0 million for water quality monitoring and assessment activities. These resources also support the monitoring and issuance of permits to regulate the discharge of industrial and municipal wastewater, and regulatory oversight of public water supplies.
- Continues \$5.7 million for pollution prevention programs designed to collaborate with large and small businesses to promote pollution prevention and energy efficient practices. In addition, these programs provide financial assistance to communities to develop pollution prevention strategies at the local level.
- Includes \$18.1 million to maintain a number of programs designed to protect the environment and the public health through proper management of solid, liquid, medical, and hazardous waste products.
- Includes \$2.0 million in new general fund support to offset Cleanup and Redevelopment funds which have experienced a decline due to a shortfall in Unclaimed Bottle Deposit revenue. These resources will be used to support contaminated site investigation, cleanup, and revitalization efforts.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Supplemental**

The Governor recommends a fiscal year 2006 supplemental of approximately \$1.5 million in federal support to implement a hazardous waste manifest information system and homeland security communication data flow system.

<b>Fiscal Year 2007 Governor's Recommendation</b> <b>Department of Environmental Quality</b> <b>(\$ in Thousands)</b>	
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	FY05 Appropriation	FY06 Current Law	FY07 Recommended
GF/GP	\$26,127.1	\$31,809.6	\$33,328.4
All Funds	\$399,811.1	\$455,196.0	\$370,228.5
	% Change - GF/GP	21.7%	4.8%
	% Change - All Funds	13.9%	-18.7%

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